

By: Turner of Tarrant

H.R. No. 164

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Members of Team Arlington are visiting the State
2 Capitol on January 28, 2015, as part of their annual trip to Austin;
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4 WHEREAS, A chamber-led coalition, Team Arlington advocates
5 at the state and federal levels for resources to support local
6 economic development initiatives in Southeast Tarrant County; each
7 year, Team Arlington delegations travel to Austin and Washington,
8 D.C., to meet with elected and appointed officials; and

9 WHEREAS, Joining us today are Arlington mayor
10 Dr. Robert Cluck, Arlington Chamber of Commerce president Wes
11 Jurey, Arlington Independent School District superintendent
12 Dr. Marcelo Cavazos, Tarrant County commissioner Andy Nguyen,
13 Hurst-Euless-Bedford Chamber of Commerce president Mary Frazier,
14 Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County executive director Judy
15 McDonald, Tarrant County College--Southeast Campus president
16 Dr. Bill Coppola, and Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau
17 president Ronnie Price; and

18 WHEREAS, The founding partners of this dynamic organization
19 include the Arlington Chamber of Commerce, the City of Arlington,
20 The University of Texas at Arlington, Tarrant County, Tarrant
21 County College--Southeast, Workforce Solutions for Tarrant County,
22 the Arlington Independent School District, the Arlington
23 Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the local Hispanic, African
24 American, Asian American, and Pan Asian American chambers of

1 commerce; and

2 WHEREAS, Located halfway between Dallas and Fort Worth in
3 Tarrant County, Arlington is a thriving community with numerous
4 economic and educational resources and diverse entertainment
5 venues; the area that would become Arlington, with its fertile
6 blackland and sandy loam, counted farmers among its early
7 inhabitants in the mid-19th century; it was formally founded in
8 1876 as a market town on the Texas and Pacific Railway and named
9 after the Virginia hometown of Robert E. Lee; and

10 WHEREAS, Today, Arlington is home to almost 400,000
11 residents; it is a hub for various technical and manufacturing
12 companies, including General Motors, and features superior
13 research and teaching facilities at UT Arlington; more than eight
14 million people visit the city annually to experience such
15 attractions as Six Flags Over Texas and the International Bowling
16 Museum & Hall of Fame and to attend sporting events at Globe Life
17 Park in Arlington, home of the Texas Rangers, and AT&T Stadium, home
18 of the Dallas Cowboys; and

19 WHEREAS, By making a proactive effort to work in conjunction
20 with state and federal leaders, Team Arlington has helped to
21 promote growth and development in this vibrant city, which
22 continues to be one of the Lone Star State's greatest assets; now,
23 therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 84th Texas
25 Legislature hereby welcome the members of Team Arlington to the
26 State Capitol and recognize January 28, 2015, as Team Arlington
27 Day; and, be it further

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1 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
2 prepared for the group as an expression of high regard by the Texas
3 House of Representatives.